## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A cyclic peptide having the formula:

wherein B is a bridge moiety selected from:

i)

ii)

iii)

iv)

viii) O O O O O 
$$|I| = |I| =$$

ix)

O
O
O
O
C
$$C - (CH_2)_6 - NH - C - (CH_2)_6 - NH - C - CH_2 - NH$$

2. A compound according to Claim 1 having the following stereochemical formula:

## 3. A cyclic peptide having the formula:

wherein B is a bridge moiety selected from:

i)

iv) 
$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ II \\ C \\ \hline \\ NH_2 \end{array}$$
 
$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ II \\ C \\ \hline \\ NH_2 \end{array}$$

ix) 
$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ C \\ C \\ C \\ NH-(CH_2)_6-N-C-CH_2-NH-\\ NO_2 \end{array} \hspace{0.5cm} ; and$$

4. A compound according to Claim 2 having the following stereochemical formula:

- 5. A composition comprising:
  - A) one or more cyclic peptides having the formula:

wherein B is a bridge moiety selected from:

#### ii)

## iii)

iv)

v)

viii) O O O O 
$$|I| = C - (CH_2)_6 - NH - C - (CH_2)_5 - NH - C - CH_2 - NH -$$

- B) one or more excipients.
- 6. A composition according to Claim 5 wherein said cyclic peptides have the following stereochemical formula:

# 7. A composition comprising:

A) one or more cyclic peptides having the formula:

wherein B is a bridge moiety selected from:

viii)

ix) 
$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ O \\ II \\ C \\ \hline \\ NO_2 \end{array}$$
  $\begin{array}{c} CH_3 \ O \\ I \ II \\ II \\ \hline \\ NO_2 \end{array}$  ; or

- B) one or more excipients.
- 8. A composition according to Claim 7 wherein said cyclic peptides have the following stereochemical formula:

- 9. A method for treating obesity, said method comprising the step of contacting a human or higher mammal with a composition comprising:
  - A) one or more cyclic peptides having the formula:

wherein B is a bridge moiety selected from:

i)

ii)

iii)

iv)

v)

ix) 
$$\begin{array}{c} O & O & O \\ II & II & II \\ -C-(CH_2)_6-NH-C-(CH_2)_6-NH-C-CH_2-NH- \\ \end{array} ] ; and$$

- B) one or more excipients.
- 10. A method for treating obesity, said method comprising the step of contacting a human or higher mammal with a composition comprising:
  - A) one or more cyclic peptides having the formula:

wherein B is a bridge moiety selected from:

i)

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & O \\
II & O \\
C & O \\
II &$$

ii)

iii)

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ II \\ C \\ \hline \\ NO_2 \\ \end{array}$$

iv)

v)

ix) 
$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ C \\ C \\ C \\ NH-(CH_2)_6-N-C-CH_2-NH-\\ NO_2 \end{array} \hspace{0.5cm} ; or$$

B) one or more excipients.